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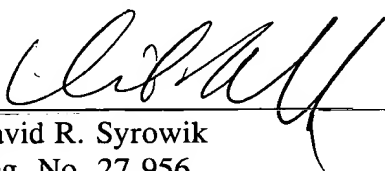
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A copy of each reference listed on the attached Forms PTO/SB08A and PTO/SB08B are included herewith. Consideration and entry into the record of these references is respectfully requested.

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